

Monitoring Weather, Climate and the Environment

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EUMETSAT's Mission is....

To deliver operational satellite data and products that satisfy the meteorological and climate data requirements of its Member States - 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, through decades.

This is carried out taking into account the recommendations of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO).



Data Applications



To assist the human forecaster in diagnosing and monitoring the development of hazardous weather systems...



For daily weather forecasting, to save human life and property...



For industry, aviation, maritime transport ...

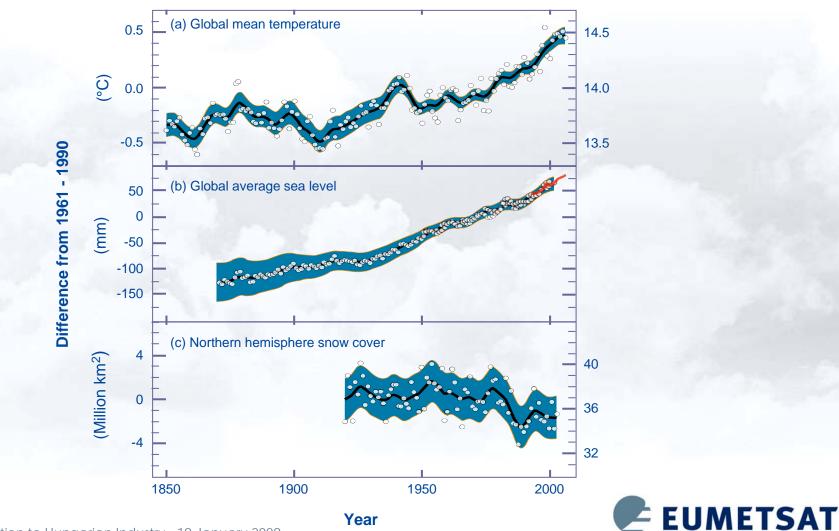


... and for climate and environmental monitoring.

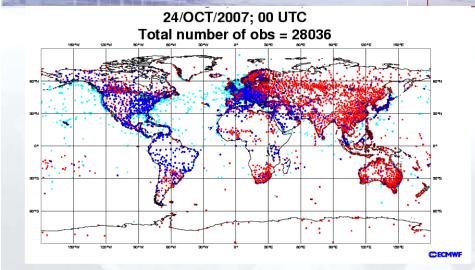


Change in Temperature, Sea Level and Northern Hemisphere Snow Cover

Source: Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change



Why satellite data?

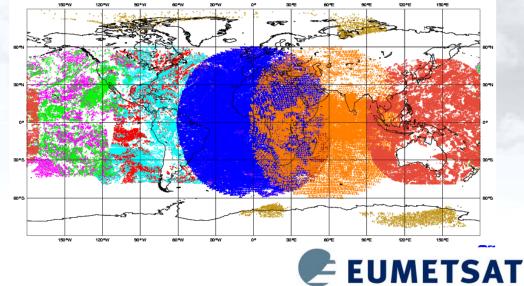


Conventional network

Geostationary satellite coverage

Observations on a global basis
Unaffected by local weather systems
Complements in-situ weather stations, weather balloons etc.

29/OCT/2007; 00 UTC Total number of obs = 292633



Providing Socio-Economic Benefits

Weather satellites are vital to better manage our planet's resources and ensure basic societal benefits

Weather: sever storms, dust storms, sea surface temperature, aviation, ship routing, fishing
Disasters: tropical cyclones, ocean storm surge, flash floods, tsunami extreme heat, smog, smoke pollution/inhalation
Energy: oil fires, excessive demand for air-conditioning, water
Climate: land and sea surface temperature change, rising sea level, monsoon change
Agriculture: water shortage, pest infestation
Ecosystem: impact of environmental change on fish stocks



Benefits for public administrations



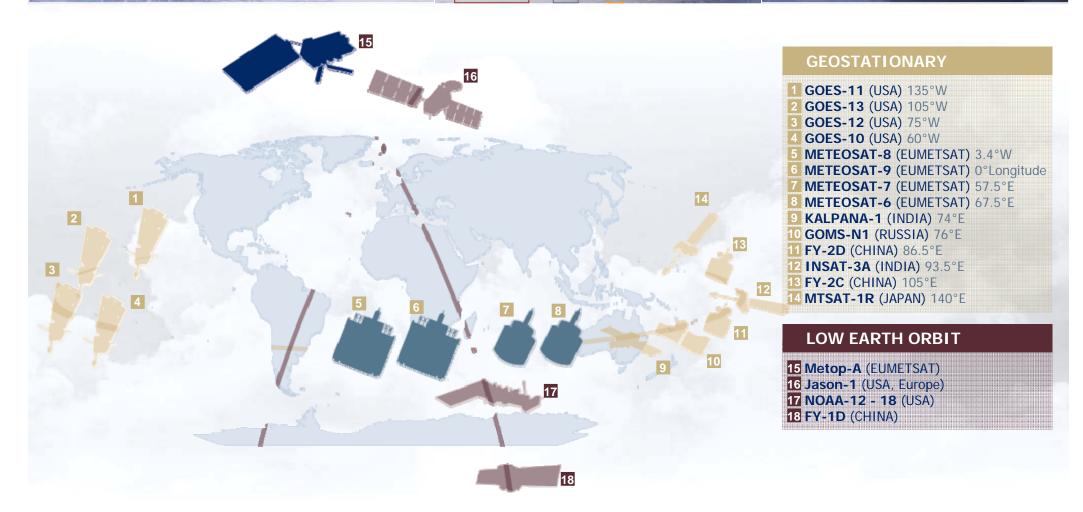
- Value of weather forecasting to economy:
 > 20 times budget of public weather service
- Contribution from satellite data:
 > 35%

[Case for Space Final Report, UKSpace, 2006]



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Global Satellite System









Private Enterprises, Value Added Services, **End-Users**

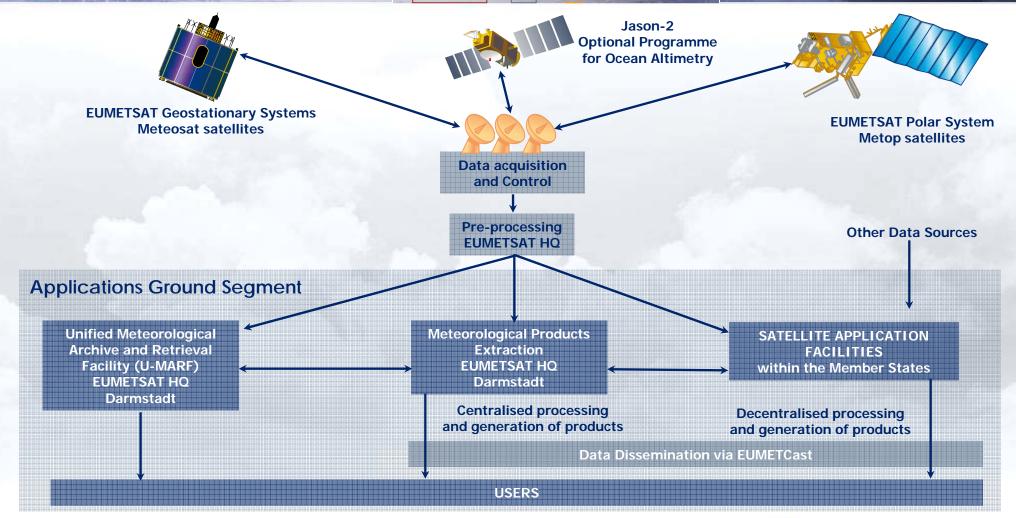




Development and

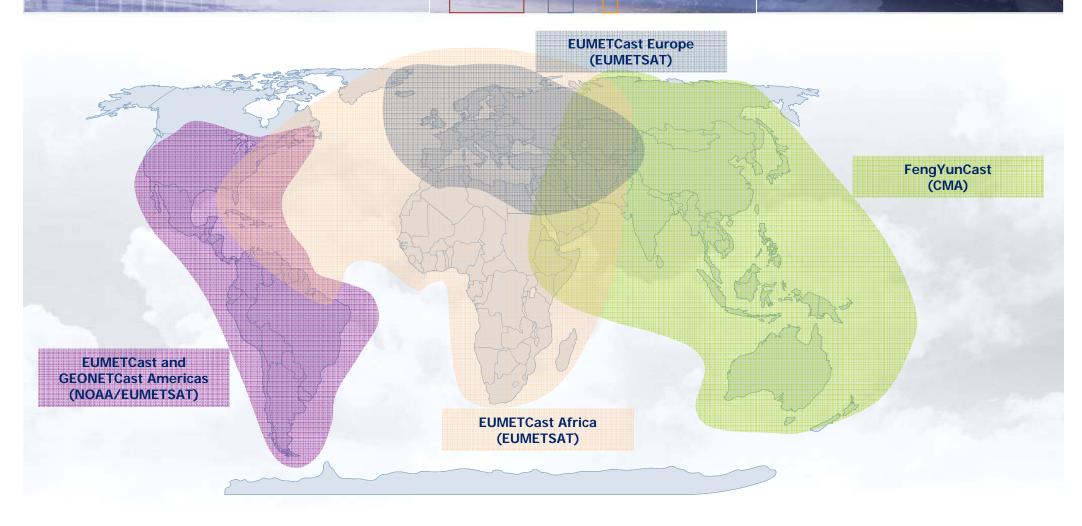
procurement agency

Overview of the EUMETSAT Ground Segment



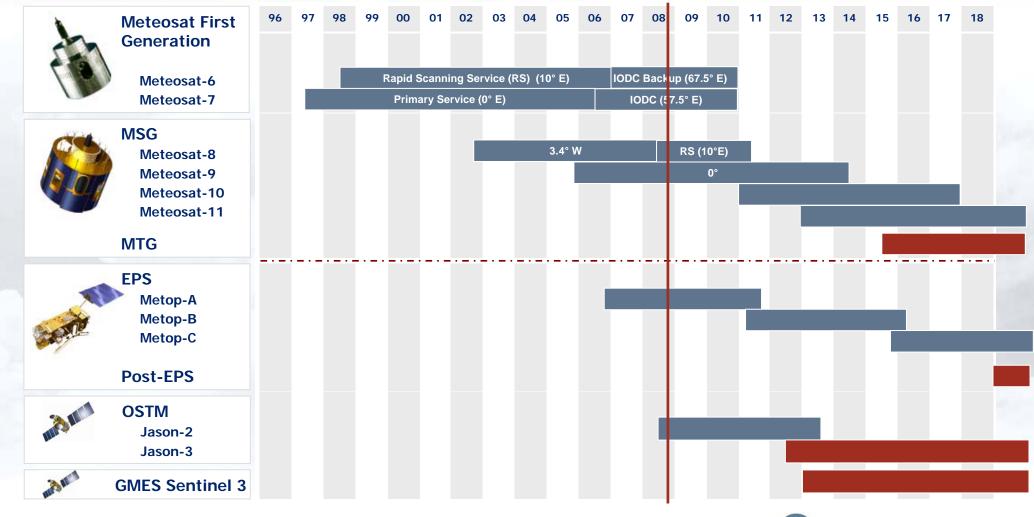


GEONETCast Coverage







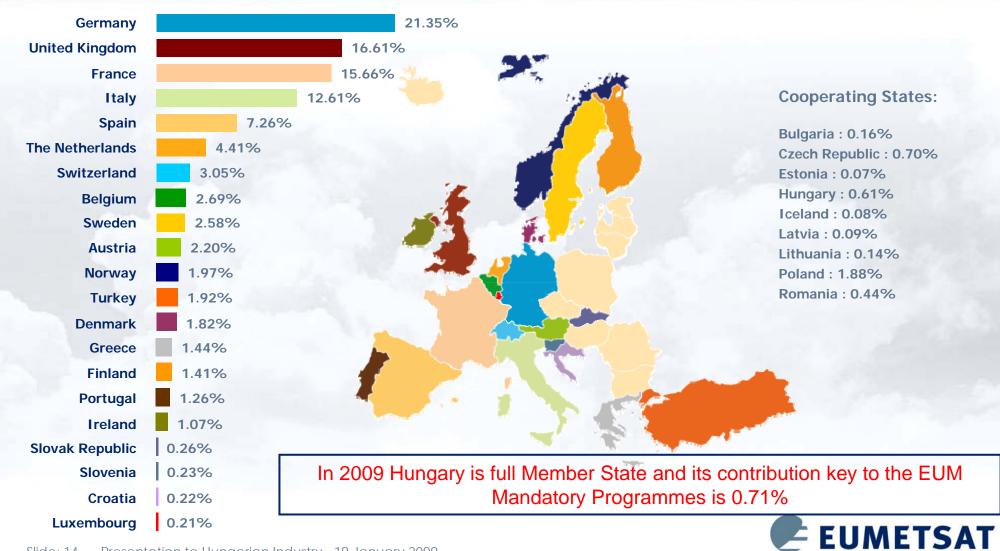




24 Member States & 6 Cooperating States

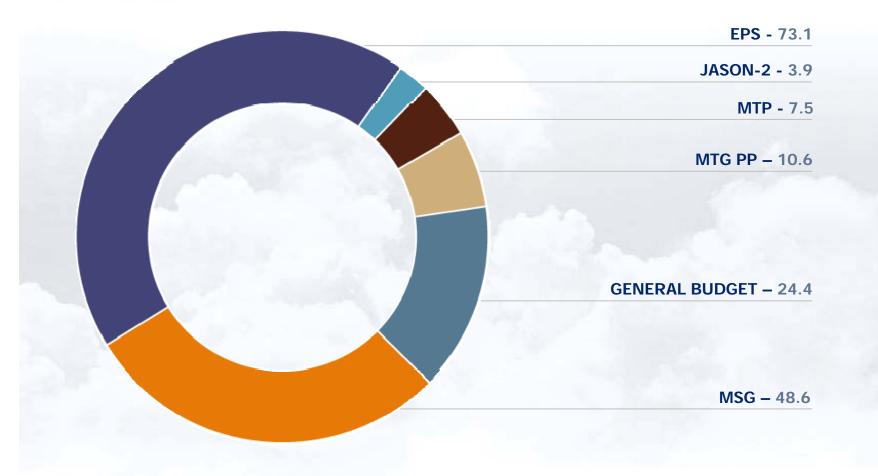


Member State Contributions 2008



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Expenditure 2008

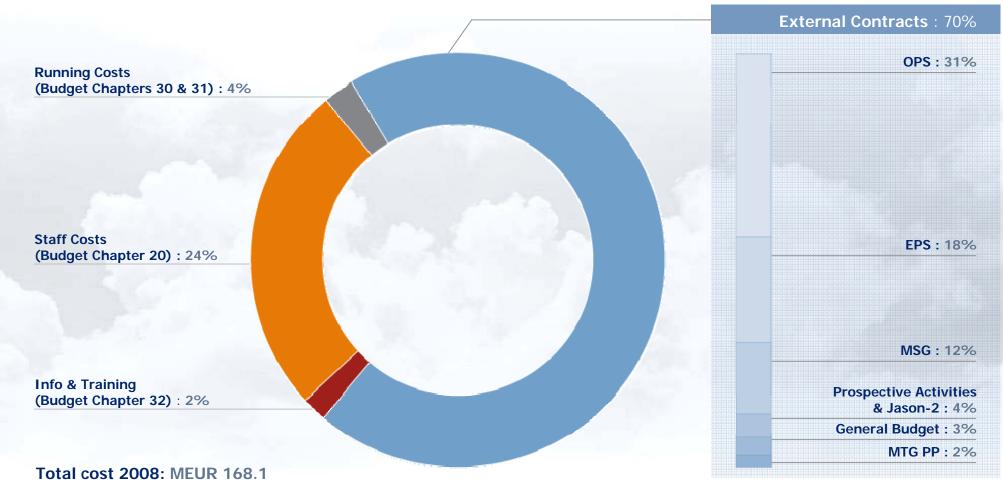


Total Expenditure 2008: MEUR 168.1



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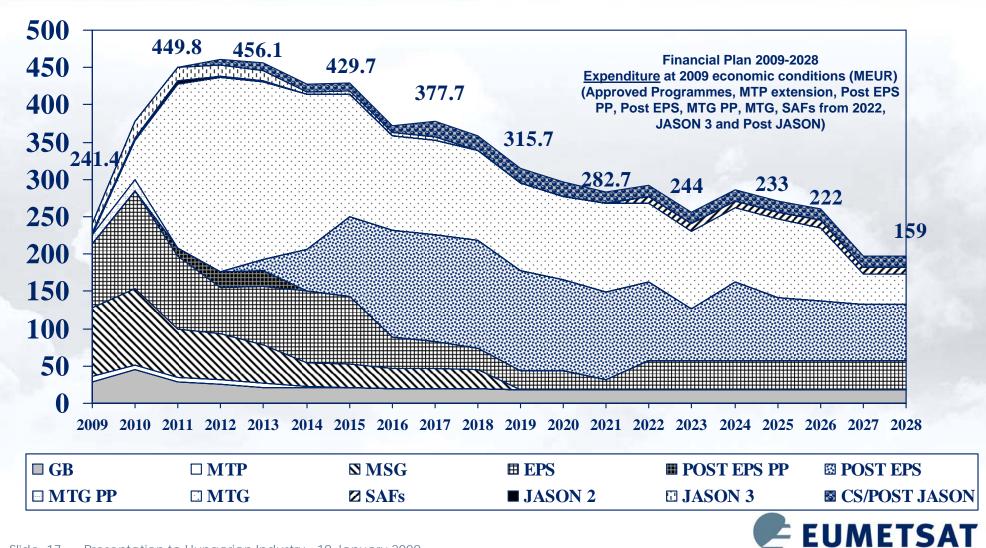
External and Internal Costs as % of Budgets 2008

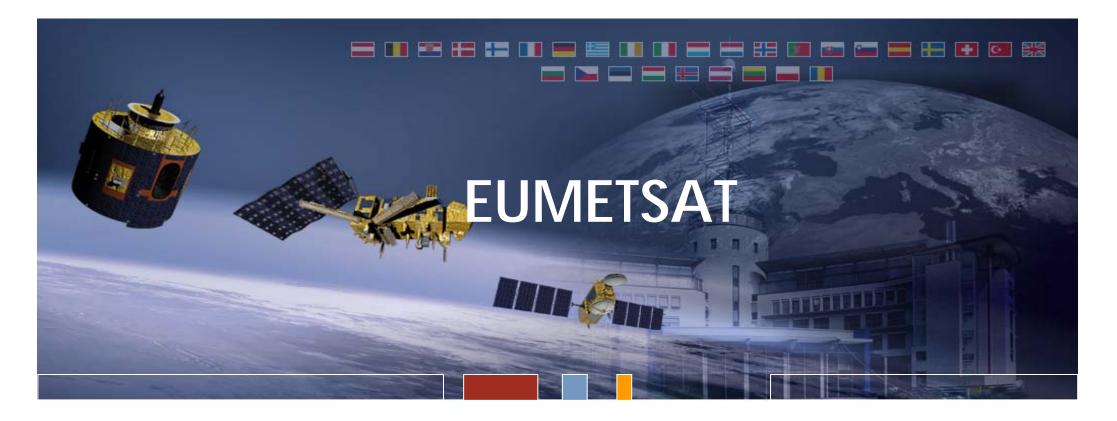




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Long Term expenditure forecast





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Thank you!



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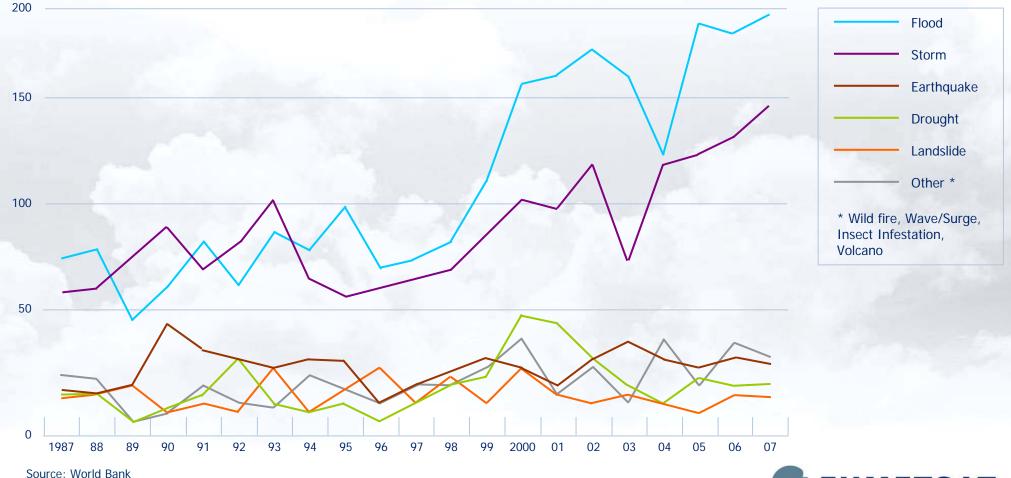
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Natural Disasters set off by Severe Weather

Occurrences per year





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